

## Most Prosperous Year With the Utah Fuel Company

The tonnage produced by the Utah Fuel company for the past year is the largest in its history, in spite of a number of handicaps. In fact all the mines have worked at full capacity with the one exception of the Sunny-side mine throughout the year, except when confronted by a shortage of railroad cars. The company's two famous coals, Castle Gate and Clear Creek, are reaching an ever widening market, and give promise of gradually obtaining a tremendous distribution. Not only has the actual mining of coal been heavy, but numerous other activities have been carried on during the year in the various towns included in the company's operating territory.

One of the most serious handicaps under which the company has labored during the year has been the unfavorable railroad situation. The shortage of cars was aggravated in April by the switchmen's strike which lasted long enough to create a general congestion that proved difficult to relieve. Another handicap was the fire in the Sunny-side No. 2 mine which made it necessary to temporarily seal the property and put the company to a tremendous expense to restore it. This in addition to the loss suffered by the halt in production at Sunny-side. The work of reopening the mine, however, is progressing cautiously, but surely, and mining operations it is believed will be resumed some time next month.

During the year the small Utah mine in the Pleasant Valley district was reopened and is now again producing a good tonnage. No. 4 mine at Clear Creek is being rapidly developed, thereby adding materially to the production of that camp. This has necessitated the installation of a new and very large electric hoist. The improved water system at Clear Creek was placed in service during the year so that the town is now being furnished with an adequate supply of pure spring water.

At Castle Gate the filtration water plant has been in operation throughout the year, successfully handling the muddy water at flood times and furnishing the people at that town with pure, clear water uniformly. At all the camps of the company there is now a good water supply, an essential which adds greatly to the living and general health conditions in the mining camps. The new schoolhouse at Castle Gate has been completed, and is now in use. This is a modern up to the minute school building with all pupils on one floor and is well lighted, ventilated and heated.

At Winter Quarters, Clear Creek, Castle Gate and Sunny-side a number of new dwelling houses were built for the use of employees. At Sunny-side, Castle Gate and Winter Quarters the hospitals have been equipped with

large sun parlors for convalescent patients and nurses' quarters have been added also equipped with every convenience. Trained nurses are now stationed at these camps so as to give the injured or sick employees and their families the very best care and attention. It was also necessary during the year to build additional garages to accommodate the ever increasing number of automobiles owned by employees. These buildings are of fireproof construction and are rented at a very nominal figure.

There is good ground for believing that the serious loss of production in 1920 due to a shortage of railroad cars will not occur during 1921—at least to anything like the same degree. The present announced plans of the Denver and Rio Grande and the Western Pacific railroads if materialized gives ground for expecting that the coal mines located on the lines of these roads, particularly those served exclusively by the Denver and Rio Grande, will be given more dependable railroad and car service and thus permit them to expand in keeping with the increasing market for our Utah coal. While the present general slowing up in all lines of business is temporarily causing a slowing up in demand for coal, it is reasonable to suppose that this decrease is not of a permanent nature.

The future prospects for a more extensive market for Utah coal are very promising, provided always of course that the railroads serving the coal mines do their full part toward an increased demand for Utah coals in other states. One of the principal factors in this market growth is the increasing demand for coal as a substitute for oil, not only by railroads but by industries as well. The Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast regions give promise of greatly increased industrial activity within the next year, which is another favorable factor for Utah's coal industry.

The people of Utah are at last commencing to appreciate the full importance of the coal industry to the state and are gradually becoming more inclined to look with more favor upon it. They realize that every additional ton of Utah coal that moves to other states brings outside money into Utah and helps the state that much to develop.

**TRADE IN SHEEP STUFF EVERYWHERE VERY QUIET.**

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14,100; wildcats, 3277; wolves, twenty-nine; mountain lions, twenty-seven; and bears, eighty-six. This number does not include any of the animals reported by the state and the federal hunters.

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tion to all these, the company has built a six-wire telephone system from Hiawatha to Price. This will be greatly appreciated by the people both of Price and Hiawatha and East and West Hiawatha. It is of the latest construction and will give the best of service. It has caused the Eastern Utah Telephone company to reconstruct eight miles of the Price to Emery line.

Due to the foresight of its officials, the United States Fuel company has anticipated the needs of its employees during the past economic upswing and takes pride in the result. At no time has there been difficulty in obtaining competent and efficient labor. The whole organization is based upon harmony and co-operation. From the above brief sketch it will be readily inferred that the United States Fuel company firmly believes in the future of the coal industry of this state.

The future market for coal from Utah will be controlled by many and obscure conditions. Should the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and so forth become surfeited with Wyoming coal, this product would be turned to Idaho and the great Northwest. Should the Harriman lines suffer a decline in its traffic, their own mines in Wyoming would furnish their current needs, and the present storage of Utah coal would stop. Should normalcy in the tidewater coal of British Columbia be realized it also would be a strong competitor. Should shipping become normal on the Pacific we will also be in competition with Australian and Japanese coal brought over in ballast. The last will depend upon an adjustment of the foreign exchange. Should the cost of crude petroleum in California fall any considerable amount will the several Western railroads continue their present policy of changing oil burners to coal burners? Should the present transportation conditions obtain the people will continue to store coal in the summer months. Should the winter be severe and the spring long and cool more coal will be consumed and stored.

### What of the Future For Utah Coals?

Much of the future will depend upon financial adjustments. Will the farmer be forced to hold back his products for a reasonable price? If so, money will not circulate and credits will shrink. Will the metal mines be able to operate at a profit? If not, they will shut down. Will the large copper producers be able to finance themselves for an uncertain period out of their reserve of cash on hand or will they have to shut down? The Utah Copper company has cut its production from some thirty thousand tons a day to six thousand and is absorbing the loss. Will all the metal mines reopen after the Christmas holidays? We are assured by men who are high up in the money market, whose business it is to read the signs of the times, that conditions will and are steadily improving. Of course, there are plenty of pessimists and a goodly number of optimists. Still the trend of business is for the better. We are going through a period of depression that is caused by at least two factors, namely, the end of the year and the approaching change in governmental administration.

Some captains of industry are sitting "tight." These form the inertia of American business. Some, I am sorry to say, are taking advantage of these troublous times to renew their autocratic control of industry. These form the buccaneers of American business. There are others, and thank God, they are in the majority, who are weaving—by word and by deed—a fabric of confidence in the ability of clean American business to steer us through the readjustment period that is upon us. So let us all pull together—both labor and capital—and prevent the buccaneer from throwing a monkey wrench in the wheels of progress.

# The Christmas Store

1920

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Silk Shirts				Traveling Sets
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Before leaving this city we wish to thank those in Price and in Carbon county for the very liberal business accorded us while among you, and to bespeak for our successors the same good treatment you have given us.

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